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In re Application of: CLANCY, et al.
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 Examiner: Tsegaye, Saba
 Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CONFIGURING
 A COMMUNICATIONS PROTOCOL

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In response to the Office Action mailed December 1, 2003, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejections of Claims 1-51 in view of the following amendments and comments.